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11. (U) Econcouns delivered reftel demarche to GDRC Ministry of Agriculture Secretary General Ali Ramazani on December 4, sharing talking points and background on the amended Lacey Act. While Ramazani was not personally familiar with the Lacey Act, he expressed general support for measures aimed at stemming illegal trade in logging and related sectors, and lamented that other countries, particularly in Asia, had not adopted similar measures. He promised to share the information on the amended Lacey Act and import declaration requirement with other relevant GDRC ministries and agencies.

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